

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The 30th March, 1981

No. 46/14/80-SHB-II.—Whereas the State Government is satisfied that the State of Haryana is threatened with an outbreak of a dangerous epidemic disease, namely, infective hepatitis (Jaundice) and that the ordinary provisions of law for the time being in force are insufficient for the purpose:—

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section-2 of [the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, the Governor of Haryana hereby:—

- (i) empowers the Deputy Commissioners, within the areas of their respective districts:—
 - (a) to prohibit the sale or exposure for sale in, or import into, or export from, any local area in a district, of any specified articles of food or drinks or class of such articles;
 - (b) to order the destruction of any unwholesome articles of food or drink;
 - (c) to authorise any person to enter into and inspect any market, building, shop, stall, or place used for the sale, storage or free distribution of any articles of food or drink, and to examine any such articles and, if found unwholesome, to seize, remove, destroy or cause to be disposed of in any manner he thinks fit so as to prevent its being used for human beings;
 - (d) to set apart suitable place for the supply of water for all purposes and to prohibit the use of water from any other source and to fix the time, manner and conditions at that source under which such supply of water may be obtained;
 - (e) to order the closure of any ice factory or aerated water or mineral water factory;
 - (f) to set apart suitable places for bathing and to specify the times at which and the sex of the persons by whom such places may be used;
 - (g) to set apart suitable places for washing animals and clothes or for any other purpose connected with the health, cleanliness or comfort of the public;
 - (h) to prohibit, by public notice, bathing generally by persons other than those specified under clause (f), or washing animals or clothes, at places other than those fixed for such purposes;
 - (i) to establish isolation camps, hospitals and medical inspection posts;
 - (j) to order the removal and detention of any person suffering from infective hepatitis (jaundice) to isolation camp or hospital;
 - (k) to prohibit the holding of any fair in the district;
 - (l) to order that any specified person or all persons within any specified area shall undergo inoculation (in the case of minors the orders shall be addressed to their parents or guardians) and all such persons shall then be required to take inoculation.
- (ii) empowers the Director, Additional Director, Joint Director, Deputy Director and Assistant Director, Health Services, Haryana, Chief Medical Officers, Deputy Chief Medical Officers, Senior Medical Officers, all Municipal Medical Officers of Health, Medical Officers-in-Charge of Government or Local Body Hospitals and Dispensaries, Government Food Inspectors, Senior Sanitary Inspectors, Sanitary Inspectors, Health Inspectors, Assistant Unit Officers, Assistant Malaria Officers and all Magistrates, within the areas of their respective jurisdiction—
 - (a) to order the destruction of any unwholesome article of food or drink;
 - (b) to order the removal and detention of any person suffering from or suspected to be suffering from infective hepatitis (jaundice) to isolation camp or hospital;
 - (c) to order to be inoculated any person who in their opinion is liable to catch the infection (in the case of minors the orders shall be addressed to their parents and guardians);

- (d) to enter any premises for the purpose of detection of cases of infective hepatitis or for inoculation against that disease or for disinfection;
 - (e) to order the cleaning or disinfection of any drains, premises, latrines, clothes, bedding or any other article which in their opinion is infected or likely to retain infection and the removal and disposal or application of suitable disinfectants to any article, offensive matter, rubbish, night soil, manure or filth of any kind;
 - (f) to order chlorination of drinking water supplies, both public and private.
- (iii) empower the Director, Additional Director, Joint Director, Deputy Director, and Assistant Director, Health Services, Haryana and Chief Medical Officers within their respective jurisdiction,—
- (a) to create posts of sweepers or safai mazdoors, Sanitary Inspectors or Senior Sanitary Inspectors for the municipal areas as well as the areas under the Panchayat Samities upto double the existing strength, whenever the district is threatened with an outbreak of infective hepatitis and to fill the aforesaid posts temporarily till one month from the date the district is declared free from infective hepatitis (jaundice).
 - (iv) orders that the head or any adult member of the household and every registered Private medical practitioner being cognizant of the existence in a household of a case of infective hepatitis (jaundice), shall report its occurrence within 24 hours of its detection to the Sarpanch of the village panchayat or in his absence to the Lambardar of the village or to the Medical Officer-in-Charge, Local Hospital/Dispensary or to the Secretary of the municipal Committee in whose jurisdiction he resides, or practices, who shall then be responsible to report the matter to the Chief Medical Officer, concerned;
 - (v) directs that any order issued by the Deputy Commissioner concerned under clause (i) shall remain in force in respect of local area until such local area is officially declared to be free from infective hepatitis, by the Chief Medical Officer.
 - (vi) directs that the cost of any measure taken by any person empowered under this order in exercise of the powers hereby conferred upon him shall be defrayed by the Panchayat Samiti or municipal Committee within the jurisdiction of which such measure may be taken and may be recovered by the Accountant-General-Haryana by deduction from the balance of the funds of the local authority concerned in the treasury.

This order shall remain in force from the date of publication of this notification in the official gazette upto the 31st December, 1981.

The 12th November, 1981

No. 52/5/80-5HBII.—In continuation Haryana Government, Health Department, Notification No. 52/5/80-6HBII, dated the 11th November, 1980, the Governor of Haryana is pleased to nominate also the Chief Parliamentary Secretary to Government, Haryana, as Vice-Chairman and the Regional Director, State Co-ordination, Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Chandigarh, as member of the State Level Committee for speedy implementation of the National Programme for Prevention of Visual impairment and Control of Blindness in the State of Haryana.

2. The Governor of Haryana is further pleased to nominate the Assistant Director (Epidemiology), Directorate of Health Services, Haryana to be the Member-Secretary of this Committee in place of Assistant Director (Malaria), Directorate of Health Services, Haryana.

3. They will draw T.A./D.A. in connection with the meetings of the committee to be held at Chandigarh from the source from which they draw their pay.

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Health Department.